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TO AMEMBASSY GABORONE PRIORITY  
INFO AMEMBASSY MASERU PRIORITY

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FROM OPIC

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIN

SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF OPIC OFFICER HOPE

1. REQUEST CONCURRENCE VISIT OPIC VICE PRESIDENT FOR  
FINANCE ANTHONY J. HOPE ON MARCH 28-29 TO DISCUSS WITH  
EMBASSY AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS INVESTMENT CLIMATE, PRO-  
SPECTS FOR U.S. PROJECTS, AND FOLLOW-UP PARNELL DISCUSSIONS  
FROM LAST AUGUST. HOPE IS A SPEAKER AT CONFERENCE ON TRANS-  
NATIONAL CORPORATIONS AND SMALL DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN  
MASERU MARCH 23-25 AND WILL BE RETURNING TO U.S. FOLLOWING  
BOTSWANA VISIT. HE WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS IMC PLANS WITH  
EMBASSY AND TO MEET RALPH STEVENS OF BDC, MINISTER OF MINES,  
MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND CHARLES JOHNSON REGARDING DIAMOND  
CUTTING PROJECT.

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2. HOPE HAS CONFIRMED RESERVATION MARCH 28 ARRIVING  
BOTSWANA VIA AIR BOTSWANA FLIGHT 810 AT 8:30 A.M., DEPART-  
ING MARCH 29 AT 3:10 P.M. ON SOUTH AFRICA AIR FLIGHT 103  
TO JOHANNESBURG. HOPE HAS HOTEL RESERVATIONS AT HOLIDAY  
INN FOR NIGHT MARCH 28.

3. FOR HOPE, NATHAN LEIBLER, PRESIDENT, UNIVERSAL MINES

REQUESTS THAT YOU IMPRESS UPON BOTSWANA MINISTER OF MINES

THAT WHILE COMPANY IS STILL AWAITING DEFINITIVE RESPONSE  
TO ITS DIAMOND CUTTING PROPOSAL IT CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO  
CONTINUE WAITING FOREVER. COMPANY UNDERSTANDS THAT GOB  
CURRENTLY REVIEWING ITS DIAMOND POLICY BUT IS MOST EAGER  
FOR SOME INDICATION THAT PROPOSED PROJECT WILL BE IMPE-  
MENTED IN REASONABLE FUTURE.

4. MASERU PLEASE PASS MESSAGE TO HOPE. DECONTROL UPON  
RECEIPT.  
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